

### **REMARKS**

Claims 2-9, 11-14, 17, and 20-22 are now pending in this application. Claims 2, 3, 8, 12, 14, and 20 are independent. Claims 2-5, 8, 9, 11-14, 17, and 20 have been amended, claims 18-19 have been canceled, and claims 21 and 22 have been added by this Amendment.

No new matter is involved with any claim amendment or new claim, as support may be found throughout the originally-filed disclosure, including previously-considered claims.

### **Non-Statutory Subject Matter Under 35 U.S.C. § 101**

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 2-9, 11-14 and 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. §101as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter is requested.

Claims 2-5, 8, 9, 11-14, 17, and 20 have been amended in a manner that is believed to overcome the stated bases for rejection by reciting computer-implemented methods and systems in various claims. Consideration and allowance of claims 2-9, 11-14 and 17-20 are respectfully requested.

### **First Indefiniteness Rejection**

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 8-11 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite, is requested. The pending claims have been amended in a manner that is believed to overcome the stated bases for rejection. Consideration and allowance of claims 8-11 and 20 are respectfully requested.

### **Second Indefiniteness Rejection**

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 12-14 and 17-19 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite, is requested. The pending claims have been amended in a manner that is believed to overcome the stated bases for rejection. Consideration and allowance of claims 12-14 and 17-19 are respectfully requested.

### **New Claims**

New dependent claims 21 and 22 are presented herein for consideration. These claims variously and ultimately depend from now patentable independent claim 12, and have been drafted to avoid the applied art, and to further define that which Applicants are entitled to claim.

Consideration and allowance of newly-presented claims 21-22 are respectfully requested. No new matter is involved with these claims, as support may be found throughout the originally-filed disclosure, including the originally-filed claims.

**Conclusion**

All rejections having been addressed, Applicant submits that each of pending claims 2-9, 11-14, 17, and 20-22 in the present application is in immediate condition for allowance. An early indication of the same would be appreciated.

In the event the Examiner believes that a further interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues in this case, the Undersigned Attorney is available at the telephone number indicated below.

For any fees that are due, including fees for extensions of time, please charge Deposit Account Number 03-3975 from which the Undersigned Attorney is authorized to draw. The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

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